



APPLES: NEW YORK WINS AGAINST ALL COMPETITORS—THEN JERSEY BEATS NEW YORK

(Written Specially for The Bulletin.)

Perhaps some of you may have noticed that apples from New York State took the first premium over all the country and the world at the Panama exposition in San Francisco.

Oh, yes, there were apples there from the Ozarks.

And from the Michigan apple-belt. And from the Hood River valley. And from all the other boasted and boasted orchard districts of the whole wide land.

Nevertheless, and in despite thereof and in fair competition therewith, apples from "Little Old New York" won first place, not only for quality but for beauty and market value.

As I say, some of you may have noticed this victory of New York over the best of the Pacific coast orchards could do.

But I doubt if many of you have observed that, shortly afterwards, a New Jersey apple man won first prize against the best apples New York sent to its own state fruit show at Rochester.

Came right into the victor's country into the very heart and center of its best apple section, and pulled the feather out of its cap.

First, New York wins against everything the Pacific coast can do, right out at the very center of that Pacific coast, too. Then New Jersey wins over the best New York can do, right in the center of New York's fruit country.

Where was Connecticut, all this time?

New Jersey is about one-sixth the size of New York. Connecticut is about one-tenth the size of New York. All three of them bunched together, are about one-third the size of California.

If New York took the feather out of Big Sister California's hat, and New Jersey then horsedogged it away from New York, why mightn't tiny Connecticut have sailed it from New Jersey?

But I suppose Mr. Hale was busy with something else, just then, and nobody else between Thompson and Greenwich cared enough about it to make an effort.

For years everybody with a palate capable of doing business has known that eastern fruit possesses a flavor and a tang which are usually lacking in products of the extreme west. When California peaches first come on the market, each season, doubtless the most of us hurry to buy some. They surely do look fine. And it's most a year since we've had the taste of a fresh peach. And we sink our teeth into an instant.

Then we discover that the fair glowing, seductive outside hides a stringy, unmelting, flavorless hunk of practically inedible toughness, which might about as well be pumpkin. Whereupon we unselfishly give the others away to anybody who will take our fifty-cent basket for nothing, and turn our eyes Glastonbury-way, to wait till we can get something from there which will be peach as well as look it.

Same with apples; and pears; and plums; and grapes; and almost every other sort of fruit except oranges, which we can't grow on account of our winters.

We can grow the common fruits here in the east just as fine-looking, just as attractive in a properly arranged package, just as price-pulling, and about four thousand times better flav-

or than anything the extreme west does.

But when it comes to the actual selling of them in the markets there a bushel box of "Rivers" from Oregon will usually bring more money than a three-bushel barrel from either New York or New Jersey or Connecticut.

Why?

Simply because of the difference in packing and advertising.

The fancy fruit which comes from the Pacific coast is picked with a care old-fashioned apple men would call fussy. It is not yanked off into unlined baskets and then dumped recklessly into heaps on the rough orchard surface to wait the coming of a possible buyer, when the other farm work reaches such a point that there is nothing better to do. Instead, it is watched from day to day, on with as carefully as a mother watches a baby, so that it can be picked the very day that, trained eyes see it is at its best.

It is packed as carefully as the apples were eggs, and liable to break if dropped or crushed. It is packed by expert packers who select every fruit which doesn't come up to strict standard of size and smoothness and color and freedom from blemish. It is packed so that one side of the box is just the same as the other side, and one end the same as the other end, and the bottom layers just as fine as the top ones. The boxes are usually papered within, so as to protect the fruit from bruise in transportation, and attractively labeled on the outside.

Compare that method of handling with the system common throughout New England orchards. The apples are picked, often by boys who don't care a hoot for anything except to get through and grab their money, dumped into piles between the trees, left there through rains and perhaps light snows, until a lump by some peripatetic speculator, who sends his own men and barrels for them.

His packers are trained to get the most possible out of the lot of any grade that will sell. So they put a layer of "platers"—select, handsome apples—on the bottom, follow it with a layer of "fillers," which are not quite so fine, fill the middle of the barrel with a bushel or so of small, malformed, wormy cider apples and then finish with a layer of "platers." Then the head is put on and forced home with a screw, inevitably bruising some of the very best of the top layer, and the speculator sells to anybody whom he can stick, hoping that, whichever end is opened, the buyer won't dig in deep enough to disclose the culs which make up half the barrel's contents.

That's why the average New England farmer gets \$1.25 or \$1.50 a barrel for his apples, while the Hood river gets \$3 or \$4 a bushel box for his.

It's just a case where the bounty of nature is wasted, and the opportunities for profit are lost, and the money of eager buyers flouted—for what?

Lord only knows whether it's lack of ambition or of energy or of knowledge. It can't be absence of common sense, for every New England farmer between Cos Cob and Passamaquoddy has offered you thousands of dollars for his particularly long on!

It is probably true that we can't compete with Illinois in raising corn or with the Dakotas in raising wheat. We lack sufficient areas of land suitable for producing such crops at low cost. But we have the land and the climate and pretty nearly every other facility for producing, among other things, apples of noble appearance and highest quality—apples which are offered you thousands of dollars for his.

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rels of ciders at \$1.50 in all, than in selling three barrels of "commercial" stuff at \$1.50 a barrel?

The travelling buyers and travelling gangs of packers, all engaged in a vigorous campaign to skin the farmer and to beat the buying public wherever either or both are possible, have given New England fruit a black eye and a bad name.

They have "put us in a hole." And a bad hole, too.

It is up to ourselves to dig ourselves out of it. But, though the task will be a slow one, the accumulated suspicion fostered by a half century of fraudulent dealings can be instantly or easily overcome—it is a possible task.

The records made this very season by New York and New Jersey apples show that we have the goods. All we have to do is to convince the buyer that the goods that we will furnish them and that they will be just what we promise them to be top-end, bot-

tom-end and bulge, all through the barrel.

Almost any single farmer with a small orchard can work up a direct sale among near-by customers, like my neighbor whom I have referred to, by he knows a good apple when he sees it, and has spunk enough to throw all others into the "cider-heap." But he can't do it by trying to snake a lot of culs into a barrel in the middle, in the hope that they won't be discovered till he's got out of hearing down the road.

He may sell such a barrel, once, but he can't expect repeat orders at good prices after he's been found out. Larger orchardists, who have to sell in carload lots, will have to come to the co-operative system in use through all the Pacific coast fruit districts, where their combined pick will be sorted and graded and sold by impartial agents, serving the whole association.

But there are few of us in that class, yet, here in New England.

THE FARMER.

DANIELSON AND PUTNAM NEWS

DANIELSON

Willamette Wedding Guest III—Explosion at Gas Plant Blows Off Doors of Three Containers—Annual Military Ball at Armory a Social Event.

Mrs. Frank Gorman, who came here from her home in Willamette to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Bessie, was seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. M. Bessie, on the West Side.

To Attend McKinley Banquet.

Judge Harry E. Back, Judge Sablin S. Russell and Attorney E. L. Darbie will be in New Haven this evening attending the McKinley banquet.

John Aylward left Thursday afternoon for Worcester to attend the funeral of a relative.

Paul N. Swaffield of the high school faculty was in charge of the Killingly High school basketball team on the trip to Willamette for the game with Windham High Thursday afternoon.

Rev. John Moggie, vice principal of the East Greenwich academy, is to speak at the Sunday morning service at the Methodist church.

Edward S. Carpenter is again confined to his home by illness, after recovering from a siege of three weeks.

L. B. S. Directresses.

Mrs. Amelia Tillingham, Mrs. C. H. Barber, Mrs. E. Bond, Mrs. John A. Kane, Mrs. Andrew Meech, Miss Kate Danielson are directresses of the Ladies Benevolent society of the Congregational church for February.

Right in the midst of a quite prolific potato belt, local consumers are being urged upon to pay \$1.50 a bushel for the tubers, which in some cases are so much at that.

Only a mighty conservative groundhog would neglect to take a chance on coming out to enjoy such a balmy day as Friday, when January hung up another 55 degree record in Danielson.

George Witter, Brooklyn, who has been a Boston hospital receiving treatment for an injury to his eye since before Christmas time, has returned to his home.

Over in Foster a man who is turning out dyesuffs at reasonable prices for goods that are now sky-high has been discovered and is receiving offers of substantial advances in prices for his products.

Will Read Papers.

Miss Katherine Hill, Ray Bailey, Miss Ames, Miss Grace Stanton, Miss Branch and Louise Dixon are to read papers at the joint meeting of the Young People's societies of the Congregational and Baptist churches at the meeting at the Baptist church Sunday evening.

Wires to Be Strung Across River.

The work of stringing wires for the high tension (11,000 volts) line from Danielson to the plant of the Killingly Manufacturing company at Willametteville is well advanced. The wires will be strung across the Assawago river.

As calendar day for February, Friday was about the nicest product of the kind that January ever produced, bringing promise of violets (maybe) and other real spring-like manifestations not usually expected before late April.

Weights and Measures Faulty.

Charles Johnson, North Grovesendale, county sealer of weights and measures, on recent visits to Danielson has found some things not exactly according to the code of the requirements of the state department he represents. His instructions to dealers have been to be more careful.

Contributions Liberal.

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PUTNAM

Explosion at Plant of Light and Power Company Friday Morning.

An explosion of unusual force at the local plant of the People's Light and Power company at 3 o'clock Friday morning blew three doors off gas containers at the plant and put the gas service out of commission until well along in the afternoon, when normal conditions were restored. The cause of the accident has not been determined. Fortunately none of the employees of the plant were close to the site of the explosion and no one was injured. Such explosions have occasionally occurred at the plant in the past.

One Hundred New Houses Needed.

The considerable number of Danielson citizens who are contemplating building homes in the spring are gratified at learning that local banking interests are prepared to do their part in advancing money for houses, at present so urgently needed in Danielson, a town that has outgrown itself as to homes.

There is need at present of 100 additional homes in Danielson. Laboring men—all men of limited means—are going to find it possible to own their own homes this spring, under arrangements that will make it surprisingly easy for them to enjoy the satisfaction of becoming their own landlords.

House lots are to be offered at bargain rates by men who want to see Danielson grow, banks will loan liberally to prospective builders, and the way to the future is being opened in every respect, that Danielson must have the fullest its present splendid and greatest opportunity to become a real, bustling, busy town.

Orders now held by industrial concerns make certain that Danielson has entered the greatest year of prosperity in its history. To take full advantage of the possibilities, it is absolutely essential that more houses be built so that employment may be given to the families now being turned away on account of lack of housing.

Any man who owned 50 houses in Danielson this morning could lease 100 of them before night. The cry for medium priced rents, homes that families of average income could afford to occupy.

Officers of Orient Lodge.

Following are the newly elected officers of Orient Lodge, K. of P. C. C. F. E. Wood; R. of S. J. C. C. M. of F. C. H. Bacon; M. of E. W. J. Craig; M. of A. W. C. Bacon; M. of W. Frank Lathrop; I. G. H. E. Burton; O. G. Ralph Young; trustees: F. E. Lathrop, two years; H. E. Burton, three years; representatives to the grand lodge, F. E. Lathrop, W. W. Ryder (alternate). The officers are to be installed Friday evening of next week.

Annual Military Ball.

Thirteenth Company Provides Enjoyable and Successful Social Event.

The annual military ball of the Thirteenth company, C. A. C., was held in the state armory Friday evening with a large number in attendance. Many coming from surrounding towns. Among the visiting officers were Colonel H. S. Dorsey of New London, Captain George E. March of Norwich, Lieutenant Bell of New London and Lieutenant Simpson of Worcester.

Hardy's orchestra of Worcester played for the dancing. The dancers

gave a very successful evening.

Putnam Night Next.

Putnam night is next on the list of events of Putnam lodge of Elks, which has already enjoyed entertainments arranged by Webster members and by Danielson members. The local Elks will spare no pains to make the coming event a red letter one.

Danielson Men to Be Invited.

An invitation is to be sent to the Danielson Business Men's association to send representatives here on the evening of February 3 to the meeting at which the formation of a Building and Loan association is to be discussed.

It is felt by some local men engaged in forwarding the movement for the new association that Danielson men may be interested in coming into the organization to discuss plans for having a building and loan association.

It is also believed that some plan might be worked out under which the two towns could use the same association to meet conditions now confronting them. Danielson wants new houses as badly as does Putnam. This being true, it is held, there might be advantage in working through one building and loan association rather than two.

In any event, the Danielson business men would certainly be interested in what the speakers who are coming here will have to say about building and loan associations and how they are successfully conducted in various cities in Connecticut and elsewhere outside of the state.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Ernest L. Davis.

Mrs. Ernest L. Davis, 64, died at her home here at 6 o'clock, Friday morning, after an illness of about three years. Mrs. Davis was a native of Worcester. She leaves her husband, a son, Harry, and a daughter, Hazel.

Reiter-Tetraulit Engagement.

Gustav Reiter of Webster has announced the engagement of his daughter, Alice, to Francis L. Tetraulit, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reiter Tetraulit of Danielson, the family formerly of this city. The groom-to-be is now employed as a private secretary to the secretary of the District of Columbia at Washington, D. C. He is a graduate of Putnam High school.

Discussed Visiting Nurse Project.

In the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce in the Union block Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock there was a meeting called at the instance of Mrs. S. Nikoloff, to discuss plans for having a visiting nurse in Putnam.

This proposition has been talked of for some time and is favored by a great many who are familiar with the work that is being done through

Today AUDITORIUM SHOWS
2.30, 7, 8.45
LAST TIME TODAY
Billy Muical Comedy Company
12—PEOPLE, MOSTLY GIRLS—12
SINGING—DANCING—MUSIC—COMEDY, ONE OF THE BEST
SHOWS YET SEEN HERE
PARAMOUNT FEATURE **CYRIL MAUDE in PEER GYNT**

greatly enjoyed the event, which was made especially delightful by reason of the fact that the new floor in the structure is ideal for events of the kind.

The dance programme was varied and gave opportunity for enjoyment of various kinds across the new popular in the dancing world.

PUTNAM

Suffrage Campaign to Open Monday—St. Mary's Parishioners to Give One Day's Pay Toward Rectory Fitting—Elks Plan Putnam Night—Visiting Nurse Favored.

H. H. Davenport of Pomfret is to address the members of the Neighborhood association of that town this evening, telling them of his recent automobile tour across the continent.

Judge M. H. Geisler is to address the members of the French Circle of Advancement relative to the proposed building of a loan association tomorrow evening.

Members of the W. C. T. U. held a meeting with Mrs. George P. Holbrook, of Elm Street, Friday afternoon.

Evangelist to Speak.

Miss Frances B. Adams, evangelist, is to speak at the Methodist church here next Friday evening.

Richard Gorman, Ralph E. Thurston, and Attorney John F. Carpenter, a committee of Putnam lodge of Elks, drafted resolutions relative to the death of Michael R. Joy.

Quindham Postmaster's range is to hold its next meeting in this city with Putnam grange.

Sudden Drop in Temperature.

There was a drop of nearly 20 degrees in the temperature between noon and five o'clock in this city Friday.

Putnam's Grand List \$1,605,362.

The grand list of Putnam as compiled by the assessors amounts to \$1,605,362, an increase of \$16,961 over last year.

A number of republicans from towns in this section of the county will be in New Haven this evening to attend the annual McKinley banquet.

As a result of the excessively warm weather of the week now closing all ice has disappeared from the Quinnabaug river and from the larger lakes and ponds in towns in this section.

Professor Baker of the Connecticut Agricultural college is to come to speak February 1 at the first anniversary meeting of the Community club at East Woodstock.

Suffrage Campaign to Open.

Monday will mark the beginning of the special suffrage campaign to be conducted in Windham county towns and during which Miss Helen Todd of San Francisco will be heard. Miss Rosamond Danielson of Putnam Friday evening at the town hall.

Advertising signs and rubbish generally, were mingled in one hunk buried in the streets at Putnam Friday when the unusually high wind played high jinks with everything that wasn't nailed down.

Close of Extension School.

Sessions of the Agricultural Extension school, which has been held daily since Tuesday at South Woodstock, were brought to a close Friday. The school was very successfully conducted.

French Dramatic Company at Theatre.

The Maurice Castel French-speaking troupe closed their engagement at the Bradley theatre with Friday's shows. This company has been playing in towns in New England having a large percentage of French-speaking people.

One Day's Pay Toward Rectory.

Members of St. Mary's parish are contributing one day's pay toward the expense of fitting and equipping the new parochial residence, which will be ready for occupancy.

During the first month of 1915, republican organizations in towns in Windham county are making their preliminary plans for the fall campaign, which promises to be very active as organization will probably be more perfect than ever before.

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Next Week
KELLY and BURKE
SINGING AND TALKING
SPECIAL SCENERY
WALTERS and SHERMAN
PIANO NOVELTY
BOB HART and CO.
COMEDY SKETCH
PARAMOUNT
LOU TELLEGEN
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One Night TUES., FEB. 1st. DAVIS THEATRE 4 SHOWS-4
BROADWAY 1.30, 3.15, 6.45, 8.45
First One Night Engagement In Its History
NEW YORK'S LARGEST AND LOVELIEST SPECTACULAR REVUE
THE MADAME
FROM N.Y. WINTER GARDEN
125—COMPANY—125
Original Broadway Production
12 Gorgeous Scenes
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All the Winter Garden Favorites including the World's Greatest Comedienne
FLORENCE MOORE
And the Celebrated
60 WINTER GARDEN 60
AUGMENTED ORCHESTRA
—PRICES—
Lower Floor—\$2.00, \$1.50
Balcony—\$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00
Family Circle 75c. Gallery 50c
SEAT SALE SATURDAY AT 10 A. M.

Colonial Theatre
"THE CUB"
Thrilling 5-reel World Feature. Presenting Martha Hedman, and John Hines. Sensational Mountain Feud. Unparalleled Photography.
Remember—We show a Mammoth 5-reel All-Star Feature Every Day

Suffrage Meeting
Mrs. Beatrice Forbes Robertson
SPEAKER
Town Hall, Tuesday Evening, February 1st
AT 8 P. M.
Admission Free

DANBURY HATTERS GET
FROM \$350,000 TO \$450,000
From Contributions Made for Payment of \$252,000 Judgment.

Danbury Conn. Jan. 28.—National officers of the United Hatters of North America estimated today that the contributions made yesterday for the relief of the defendants in the Danbury hatters' case would be at least \$350,000 and probably \$450,000, according to word received here today from the country indicated that the response to the appeal of the American Federation of Labor for funds to meet the \$252,000 damages and costs awarded by D. C. court was very prompt. In the case, would be sufficient to protect the defendants against losing a dollar of their personal property or savings.

London AS FINANCIAL CENTER OF THE WORLD
Sir Edward Holden Opines That War Will Not Affect Its Prestige.

London, Jan. 28, 1.50 p. m.—The suggestion that the war might affect the position of London as financial center of the world was repudiated today by Sir Edward Holden, at the annual meeting of the London City and Midland bank, of which he is managing director.

APPARATUS TO PROTECT SHIPS FROM MINES
Has Been Invented by Frantz Poulsen of Copenhagen.

Copenhagen, Jan. 28, via London, 5.23 p. m.—An apparatus which is claimed will prevent the destruction of ships by torpedoes or mines has been invented by Frantz Poulsen, an engineer. The details of the device are withheld but the principal feature is said to be a device for diverting the pressure on ships of the air masses formed by the explosion.

ALL DOLLED UP FOR HER DANCING CLASS
A SMALL BELLE

"CASCARETS" FOR BOWELS TONIGHT
THEY'RE FINE! LIVE YOUR LIVER AND BOWELS AND CLEAR YOUR HEAD.

NO HEADACHE, SOUR STOMACH, BAD COLD OR CONSTIPATION BY MORNING.

Get a 10-cent box.
Colds—whether in the head or any part of the body—are quickly overcome by urging the liver to action and keeping the bowels free of poison. Take Cascarets to-night and you will wake up with a clear head and your cold will be gone. Cascarets work while you sleep, they cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases; take the excess bile from the liver and carry off the toxic, acidulated waste matter and poison from the bowels.

Remember the quickest way to get rid of colds is one or two Cascarets at night to cleanse the system. Get a 10-cent box at any drug store. Don't forget the children. They relish this Candy Cathartic and it is often all that is needed to drive a cold from their little systems.

There is no advertisement in Eastern Connecticut equal to The Bulletin for business results.

RUB RHEUMATISM PAIN FROM SORE, ACHING JOINTS

RUB PAIN AWAY WITH SMALL TRIAL BOTTLE OF OLD, PENETRATING "ST. JACOB'S OIL."

What's Rheumatism? Pain only. Stop drugging! Not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil" directly upon the "tender spot" and relief comes instantly. "St. Jacobs Oil" is a harmless rheumatism and sciatic ailment, which never disappoints and can not burn the skin.

Limber up! Quit complaining! Get a small trial bottle from your druggist and in just a moment you'll be free from rheumatic and sciatic pain, soreness, stiffness and swelling. Don't suffer! Relief awaits you. Old, honest "St. Jacobs Oil" has cured millions of rheumatism sufferers in the last half century, and is just as good for sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains and swellings.

Enrich the Soil

Year by year the natural fertility of the soil is taken away by growing crops. This natural fertility can only be restored by feeding nature's plant food made of animal substances.

Essex Fertilizers give this plant food in available forms—BONE, BLOOD and MEAT and high-grade chemicals. They restore the natural fertility to the soil and produce abundant yields.

BONE, BLOOD and MEAT Fertilizers act quickly. They are fine and run freely through fertilizers drills or planters.

Due to the lack of potash this year, reliable manufacturers have either been compelled to charge exorbitant prices for potash to make fertilizers without it. Essex High-Grade Fertilizers have always grown profitable crops. We made extensive experiments without potash and now offer you Essex Animal Fertilizers that will permanently enrich your soil.

Ask your local dealer about them or write the

ESSEX FERTILIZER CO., Boston, Mass.

CARNEGIE IN SOUTH SEEKING HEALTH, MISSES THE MEETING OF HIS "BOYS."



MR. CARNEGIE AND HIS HOUSEBOAT